## ALEXANDRIA.

SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY S.

MAJOR W. T. SUTHERLIN, of Danville, "a man of affairs," not a politician, a practical, long headed Virginian, says, in respect and of N. R. Eagle, of York county, Va. of the State debt:

"If the legislature is to meet for the purpose of passing further obstructive measures to enforce the proposed settlement, it is far better for it not to assemble, for meeting will only tend to further complications and loss to the State and her people. Such legislation may hinder and delay, but never can accomplish a final settlement of the question. I admire the patriotism of our people in turning their backs upon the coupon venders and paying their taxes in money. I also admire the courage and pluck of our officers in their manly effort to execute the laws of the State, even at the risk of pecuniary loss and personal sacrifice. But even with all this, is it not better for us to stop this hopeless contest with the U. Court, settle the debt and let Virginia fall into line and lead the van of her sister Southern States in building up the new South.

And so say most all other really wise men who have the true interests of Virginia which a large appropriation is asked. and of her people at heart. The U.S. Supreme Court says Virginia taxes can be paid with Virginia coupons. The U.S. Supreme Court, in respect of the matter referred to, is the highest authority in the land, and has the whole power of the Government to entender Virginia coupons in payment of Virginia taxes, they have done all that is legally required of them in the premises, and if the State shall refuse to receive their tender, it will do so at its own loss. This is so plain that the persistent efforts to prevent the acceptance of coupons in payment of to people of ordinary understanding.

THE FORTY NINTH Congress is within less than two months of its close. And yet the elections committee of the House has just, after the lapse of more than twenty two months, during the whole of which time Mr. and J. M. Stiff, at Meridian, Dinwiddle Pirce, republican, of Rhode Island, has been county.

In the Senate yesterday evening Mr. Mahone drawing his pay and mileage, decided that that member is not entitled to the seat he o cupies. Why this decision was not reached within a month after the session began is one of the puzzles of congressional proceedings. If a new member be elected in the place of Mr. Pirce is time to take his seat on the last day of the session he will be paid for the whole term of two years and mileage, and that, too, though Mr. Pirce has already been paid for the same term. And, still more strange, if Mr. Pirce himself be elected, he will be entitled to the pay and mileage of the whole term as the legally elected member for that term, though he began is one of the puzzles of congressional elected member for that term, though he has already drawn the pay and mileage for nearly the whole term for which he was not

Gov. Hill not only wants a law passed for reducing the work days of a week to five, thereby depriving laborers of one day's wages every week, but also wants one passed to prevent children under fifteen years of age from working for wages. Under such a law a poor woman, unable to work, would though she might have two or three child ren large and strong enough to support her by their work, and who would prefer to it. It candidly represents the unreconstructed, work, in comfortable quarters with other children, than to idle away their time at a cheerless, poverty-stricken home, subject to all the evil influences and temptations incident to such an unfortunate condition. Working people are not born idiots to be deceived by such transparent demagogism. No. Gov. Hill wont do for the next democratic Presidential nominee.

THE WASHINGTON Critic says "no matter how many colored men may be induced to join the democratic party on account of the appointment of Matthews to the position of recorder of deeds of that city, the wrong of papers in the State. The Gazerre is always the appointment remains unpalliated." The chief wrong of the appointment consists in the fact that it was made solely and entirely upon the ground of the appointee's color, and was consequently contrary to the spirit of the Constitution. That the appointment has induced, or will induce, one single colored man to join the democratic party, is what no sane white man, at all ac. his family can do no better than to subscribe to it. quainted with negro character, either does or can believe.

MR. GEORGE, the so-called labor apostie, denounces the Catholic Church, or, as he terms it, "the Italian Boubon politicians of the Propaganda," for denying his radical communistic theory that land property is left in our hearts to think of anybody else. robberg. Well, the Catholic Church has had many abler and stronger enemies than Mr. George, but has managed to survive them, and will hardly succumb to such a crank as the late defeated candidate of the knights of labor for mayor of New York.

#### FROM WASHINGTON. [Special Correspondence of the Alexa, GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. S, 1887.

The House committee on the revision of the laws agreed to-day to report a bill allowing all the members of the House, except chairmen of committees, who practi-cally have one already, a private secretary; also, to prohibit the payment of funeral ex penses of members buried outside the District of Columbia, and only the actual expenses of the funerals of those buried here.

Mr. Speaker Carlisle says he is not a can-

didate for Mr. Beck's seat in the Senate,

the Pacific railroads, is the subject of no little comment. Congressmen, of course, deny it and poh poh it, but for all that it is well known that many of the members have received large sums from the railroads referred to without having apparently done anything to earn such sums except to vote.

Mr. Renda'l and Senators Kenna and Butler, and others, will leave here this af-ternoon to attend the banquet of the Jefferson Club, of Philadelphia, to-night.

At the regular weekly meeting of the Vir-

ginia democratic association of this city, held last night, the members of the association presented their president, Mej. H. L. Biscoe, with a handsome picture of himself. The Major is a native of Richmond county, Virginia. In the House vesterday Mr. Brady pre-

sented the petition of Mrs. A. T. Blick, of Ream's station, praying for the allowance of her claim; also, papers in the claims of Alfred Anderson, of Amelia county, and of Benjamin Schenck, Asa Tucker and B. K. White. Mr. Libbey presented papers in the claims of J. B. Brickhouse, of Norfolk,

The House has decided to allow its Judiciary Committee a day. When that day shall come the committee will call up the anti-Mormon bill. The impression concerning this subject entertained by the wisest Rt. Rev. J. J. members of Congress is that as the Mormons have been permitted a plurality of wives and to establish their households on that basis, it would be an unnecessary cruelty to break up those households; but that plural marriages should be prohibited hereafter.

The President of the Pennsylvania avenue horse car line and the agents of the other car lines in Washington who are contemplating the adoption of cables instead of horses as their propulsive power had an interview with a sub committee of the House

District Committee to day.

Representative Wilson, of the Appropriatious Committee, who has the District appropriation bill in charge, accompanied the District commissioners to-day on an inspection tour along the route of the proposed extension of Massachusetts avenue, for

Democratic congressmen from Indiana say the object of their party at home is to keep the republican president of the State Senate out of his seat until the Senator shall be elected. The also say that either a democrat or no body will be elected Sena-

tor.

The Senate having refused to confirm H. force its authority. Therefore when people F. Beecher as collector of customs at Port has appointed him a special agent of the Treasury. He is a son of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. The President and Mr. Beecher Beecher. stand together.

In the House to day the Senate bill repealing the tenure of office act was reported favorably. Should Mr. Blaine be the next President he will avail himself of this bill to taxes seem totally and utterly inexplicable make a clean sweep of the few democrats who have obtained office under the present administration.

The following 4th class postmasters in Virginia will be appointed: T. W. Walker at Fraternity, Mecklenburg county; G. H. Harris, at Joyceville, Mecklenburg county; L. E. Mason at Grizzard's, Sussex county

moved to take up the bill providing for the adjustment of accounts of laborers, workmen and mechanics arising under the eight-hour law, but Mr. Edmunds cut him off by moving to go into

It is reported to day that the Senate will not

the demogratic defeat.

It was rumored at the Capital to-day that Sen ator Thurman was dead, but it was soon denied.
Ex-Congressman Jorgensen, of Virginia, but now of Washington Territory, was married at Walla Walla last Monday.

With the new year began the SSth volume of that old veteran of the American press, the ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE, which, although comparatively very aged, gives abundant evidence of indefinite existence. The GAZETTE is not exactly what we would make it politically, and perhaps have to starve or go to the poor's house, otherwise, but it probably means well. There is one thing especially to be said to its credit-there is no mugwumpian civil service tomfoolery about unregenerated democracy, and don't want anything better. May the capillary covering of our venerable neighbors poll never grow gray .- Lou-

The ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE has just entered upon the 88th year of its existence. We have long had a fondness for the GAZETTE for its admirable system of collating news, which is always fresh, readable, and embraces the world in its extent. Indeed, the age of the GAZETTE is the best evidence of its merit. We wish it many more years of presparity .- Charlottesville Chronicle.

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How much is contained in the one word "happiness." How much more happiness there would be if we thought more of the happiness of others than of our own. are often so selfish in looking out for our own pleasure that there is not much room

There are a great many people in the world who are bound by the close ties of blood to the man who said that he had laid up two shillings, one for himself and one for the Lord, but that the one he had intended for the Lord had been lost in an unfortunate

Toothache caused by a cold in the facial nerves may often be relieved by wringing a soft towel out of cold water and sprinkling it with strong vinegar. This should be laid on the face like a poultice, and will often be followed by a retreshing sleep.

wheel will travel some 40,000 miles, while a any one could reach her she was enveloped steel tire will run the enormous distance of in the flames. It was found, when the Fox, Ernest though costing so much more, steel has greatly the advantage.

#### VIRGINIA NEWS.

The amount of taxes paid and offered in coupons for 1886 is somewhat over \$100,000. The value of the domestic exports from Newport News for 1886 aggregated \$6,092,

The Norfolk and Western Railroad Company has completed a handsome passenger

depot in Petersburg. Mr. Thomas G. Elam, formerly editor of the Suffolk Herald, has become associate ed-

itor of the Danville Register. Mrs. C. M. Anderson, widow of the late Col. John T. Anderson, of Botetourt county, died Saturday, aged 80 years.

Capt. F. C. Chapman has sold a half interest in the Roanoke Red Sulphur Springs to Mr. J. H. Coapman for \$10,000.

Rev. James H. Smith has resigned the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Harrisonburg on account of ill-health. The Sedgwick Memorial Association of

Philadelphia is taking measures for the erection of a monument to Gen. Sedgwick at Spottsylvania.

John L. Clark has been made postmaster at Averett, W. A. Fary at West Point and Joseph W. Douglas at Rainswood, Northum-

Rt. Rev. J. J. Glossbrenner, bishop emer itus of the United Brethren Church, died yesterday at his home in Churchville, near Staunton, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. It is said the revisers of the code will not be ready to submit their work to the legis-

lature until next winter, and therefore an extra session of that body will not be necessary on that account. The Highlands Company, operating at Birmiogham, Ala., was organized in Richmond yesterday. One fourth of the stock is owned by Richmond men, and 55 per cent.

of the stock is controlled by a Richmond syndicate. To verify coupons paid for taxes under Coupon Killer No. 2, the Hustings Court of Richmond vesterday took up some six coupon cases, and they were given to the jury to try the genuineness of the coupons men-tioned in each case. The original bonds from which coupons were cut were produced

to the jury, the coupons proved genuine, and verdicts rendered accordingly. Gov. Lee left Richmond yesterday for this city, where he expects to remain until to-morrow. The Governor expected a call from Rev. Dr. Hatcher, Cluverius's spiritual adviser, but wrote him a note advising him of imperative business which called him to this city. The prisoner received a number this city. The prisoner received a number of visitors yesterday, among them Mr. John S. Wise and Mrs. Tunstall, his aunt. There is no ground on which Cluverius can base hope for intervention.

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Department, Smyth county, was in Danprisoner may attempt something more in ville yesterday. He is the man who shows the notorious moonshiner, Major Spicer, in April last. Hull put a 32 cartridge through Spicer's body, but did not kill him, and Spicer is still living, though it is believed his lung is giving way and that he will die of consumption. Captain Hull says there is only one moonshiner operating in his county now, and he is so well concealed that he (Hull) has never been able to get him.

Several nights ago a house near Cashville, in Accomac county, occupied by John Wise, a worthy colored man, was burned down with all its contents. A high wind was prevailing at the time, and the whole building was enveloped in flames before the occupants knew it was on fire, and the young children had to be dragged out in a bed to keep them from perishing in the flames. Among the things lost was a sum of money amounting to about \$400, \$300 of which be longed to the colored Masons. A subscription has been started to aid Wise.

## Letter from Warren.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] LANDEN, WARREN Co., VA., Jan. 3, 1887. -The winter has been very cold and disagreeable : the roads have been blockaded for five weeks, with snow drifts that would do justice to the Polar regions; thus making it very hard on the people of the mountains. who depend on the products of the soil for a

earn from a letter just received from the North, that a party of capitalists, will be here to work the valuable copper mines, which will give employment to many who are now idle, and give circulation to a con-

siderable amount of money. Considering the hard times, this has been a pleasant Xmas. There was a grand union Xmas tree at Rockland academy, at the foot of the Blue Ridge. The scholars of the day school and Sunday school were in full attendance. The toys and useful presents on this tree cost over \$40. Much credit is due Mr. Jas. E. Gibson for efforts to enlight en and improve the morals of this vicinity. Miss Lou. Conner the accomplished teacher has given entire satisfaction to both patrons and county superintendent. Much credit is due the ladies of the committee for the judi cious outlay of funds and tasteful arrange ment of presents on the tree. Misses Con ner, Smith, Hall and Sealock, were specially active and useful. The liberal contribu tions of Messrs. Salisbury, Thempson brothers, and W. L. Sealock give proof of their value as citizens.

## RHODERICK DHU.

RESPONSIBILITY OF SLEEPING CAR COM-PANIES.—The Supreme Court of Massachusetts has decided a Bristol county case of great interest to the traveling public, as settling the responsibility of sleeping car companies for losses sustained by passengers Wm. Lewis and William Wing, of Taunton, while en route to San Francisco, were robbed in a car of the New York sleeping car company. The court holds that the sleep ing car company holds itself out to protect passengers during the night when they are powerless to protect their property. When property such as a person may reasonably carry is stolen the company is liable for it. The same court found for the defendant in the case of Mrs. Lillian E. Whitney, against the Eastern railroad. The lady while traveling in a Pullman parlor car left the car to get lunch at Portmouth; when she returned her satchel, containing \$200, had been stolen. The court found for the defendant on the ground of contributory negligence on the part of the plaintiff.

SHOCKING DEATH .- On Monday last two little chilren of Mr. Charles Garner were at their grandmother's, on the south end of School street. They were in a room with Miss Rosa Garner, when the latter, having occasion to go to another part of the house, left the children by themselves for a moment. While she was gone, the older one, about six years of age, picked up the poker and commenced punching the coal on the fire, making it blaze up brightly, and then turned her back to the fire. While in this turned her back to the fire. It has been estimated that an iron car position her clothing caught fire, and before 200,000 miles before wearing out; thus, though costing so much more, steel has greatly the advantage.

The names, It was folding the the charge remnants of clothing could be removed from her, that the poor little body was burned to a blister. Medical attention availed nothing, and she died early on ration he will not decline to serve.

The published statement that many members of Congress are the bribed agents of ple's Park at Madras last week.

Over four bundred persons were burned to death in the incendiary fire which destroyed the reserved encloure in the People's Park at Madras last week.

Availed nothing, and sac died early on Tarslay mercing. The parents, neither of whom were with her for several hours after the event, are plunged in deep grief.—Charlottesville Chronicle.

### NEWS OF THE DAY.

Food is being distributed from the police stations in Baltimore to the poor.

The jubilee of Queen Victoria's reign will be celebrated throughout India on February 16.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the past seven days

British imports increased during December £60,000, and exports decreased £150,000 as compared with December, 1885.

The shops of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company at Fargo, Dak., were destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$150,000.

Scott Pickler, twelve years old, shot and killed Chester Dodd, ten years old, during a quarrel over a trivial matter in Jackson, Tenn., yesterday.

The Secretary of the Treasury has ap-pointed Herbert F. Beecher to be special agent of the Treasury. He is a son of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher.

Frank McDonald, son of ex Senator Mc-Donald, for some years a clerk in the Treas ury Department at Washington, died in that city yesterday of heart disease.

Gov. Gordon, of Georgia, has received from Secretary Bayard information that the Gate City Guard cannot visit England in a military capacity. Capt. Burke says the company will go as tourists.

Cluverius. From the Richmond papers of to-day it is learned that the status of the Cluverius case is the same that it was when the Governor refused commutation and, at the solici tation of Dr. Hatcher, granted a reprieve. It is not believed that he will further interfere with the course of the law; that is, not unless there is some astonishing development warranting clemency. Judge Hughes of the U.S. Court, when asked yesterday it Wise had consulted him about getting Cluverius before him on a writ of habeas corpus, replied that Mr. Wise had presented no application to him at all, nor had they held any conversation whatever in connection with the case. He further said: "There is as much probability of bringing that case in my court as there is in extracting blood from a turnip." Cluverius was busy all day yesterday receiving visi-tors. Among those who called were Hon. John S. Wise, Mrs. Jane Tunstall, Mr. Bev. Crump, Willie Cluverius, Mr. John S. Dodson, and Mr. Mark Davis. The prisoner was represented to be in very fine spirits. It is the opinion of many that he has not given up all hope. His friends, however, know that as things now stand he will most surely be hanged on Friday next. Gov. Lee left Richmond yesterday for his home near this city. On his return, the friends of the

looks as if there will be no more delay in carrying out the sentence in the court.

DREAM REALIZED .- About six weeks ago Miss Fannie Barclay, of Pittsburg, had a dream in which she saw her dead body laid out in a beautiful casket, amid flowers, and surrounded by her sorrowing friends. This dream she solemnly narrated to her father and mother, and said that it was a warning that she would soon die. At the time she Mr. Thurman has been suffering for a week was in the best of health, and looking forward with happy anticipations to her wed ding day, which was not far distant. The belief inspired by the dream seemed to grow upon her, and, notwithstanding the efforts of her friends, she seemed unable to shake it off. About a week ago she was taken ill. and then declared that it was her last sickness, although it was not known that her illness was of a serious character. Whether t was brain fever or typhoid fever which caused her death seems to be a question of doubt, but during all her illness she refused to be encouraged, and said that she would surely die. She died on Tuesday.

COURT OF APPEALS YESTERDAY,-The following cases were heard in this court yesterday-Garland's administrator against Garland's ad ministrator. Argued by Judge William J. Rob ertson for appellees and Major T. J. Kirkpatrick

for appellant and submitted.

Adkins against Edwards, two cases, Hatcher against Crew's administrator. Passed. against Crew's administrator. Passed.

Mills's administrator against Talley's administrator. Argued by W. E. Bibberg for appellant and continued until Monday.

Littell's Living Age. Owing to the rush of the present age and the prevailing flood of literature, most people can spare only a small portion of their time to any one of the numerous magazines, and can ill afford to lose even the few moments required to look through them and select for perusal such articles as they must read in order to "keep up with the times. A weekly publication that saves them these moments is therefore valuable, and such a one is Littell's Living It contains the best articles in all the English magazines, and with it and a good daily newspaper, such as the Alexandria Ga-ZETTE, no one would be without a full, fair and correct view of the very "age and body

The Overland Monthly for January has been received from its publishers in San Francisco. Its contents are: The Puntacooset Colony, San Benito, On Second Thought, Some Reminiscences of Early Trinity, A Climbing Fern, Jonas Lee, Contra Silentium, The Present Status of the Irrigation Problem, Chata and Chinita, Vigil, Is Ireland a Nation? In the Sleepy Hollow Country, Recent Books on Evolution, Etc., and Books of the Month.

The Musical Herald for January has been received from its publishers, in Boston. Among its contents are: Chinese Music and Musical Instruments; On Conducting; Unwritten Music; The History of German Song; United Presbyterian Church vs. Musical Instruments, and much more of special interest to amateur musicians.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is pronounced by thousands superior to all other articles for the cure of coughs, colds and all pulmonary complaints.

In no instance has Salvation Oil failed in giving immediate relief from rheumatism or

#### LIST OF LETTERS. The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria postoffice January 8.

Persons calling for letters will please say they are advertised.
Advertised letters, not called for within thirty days, will be sent to the dead letter office.

Allen, Miss King, Geo T Parker, Mrs Burnett Purcell, Mrs Josephine Richardson, Geo H Roberts, G C Brigadier, Susia Roberson, Mrs John Collins, John Cook, Mrs Lizzie Regan. J Sanger, E Jenny Scroggins, Mrs Ann Shottwell, Mr Smith, Miss Addie Davis, Mrs L F Tate, Miss Charlotte Tyler, Mrs Douglas Thomas, Mrs Jane E V Thomson, Mrs Jane Wattson, Mrs Agnes Wise, Mis Alice E N E Well, A M W. W. HERBERT, P. M.



ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES

To-day's Proceedings of Congress. WASHINGTON, Jan. 8, 1887. SENATE.

The Senate was not in session to-day, having adjoured yesterday till Monday. HOUSE.

In the House a number of petitions were presented and several bills regarding public buildings in various portions of the country Mr. Cox, of North Carolina, from the

Committee on Civil Service Reform, reported back the Senate bill repealing the tenureof office act.

The House then, in the morning hour, went into the Committee of the Whole for the consideration of bilis reported from the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

#### From China.

San Francisco, Jan. 8 .- Advices from Hong Kong by the steamer City of Pekin state that the trouble on the frontier of Tenquin and China has assumed most serious proportions. News has been received at Hong Kong from Pakhoi, by the German prime flinty lots, however, are in constant desteamer Signal, that large bodies of Chinese pirates attacked the French garrison at Hakoi on November 24, and after a three days siege completely annihilated the town. They also attacked Mongkoi with a similar result. The latter is a town ten miles from the coast on the boarder line of China and Tonquin. No particulars of the massacre which occurred at Mongkoi were given. Hakoi is about thirty miles south of Mongkoi, on the coast. The French had a small fortification there, with a garrison of sixty men under command of Lieutenant McMahon, a nephew of Marshal McMahon. After a three days siege only twenty three of the garrison remained alive. These made a sortie, but not one of them survived. The latest information is to the effect that the cities of Hakoi and Mongkoi are in flames. It is believed that the same parties which captured the boundary commissioners perpetrated these massacres.

#### Sudden Illness of Senator Thurman,

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. S .- While the festivities of the Jackson Club banquet were in progress last night a sensation was created progress last night a sensation was created when ex-Senator Allen G. Thurman suddenly reeled and fell in a stupor from his chair at the table. Instantly all was excite ment and for a minute he seemed lifeless. He was removed to a carriage and taken to his residence, where he recovered somewhat. It is not known what the result will be. or more from pneumonis.

### LATER.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. S .- The report sent out that Judge Thurman is seriously ill is without foundation. He was temporarily indisposed at the close of the Jackson banquet this morning, but with a little rest is all right again.

## Mr. Reagan's Departure.

Washington, Jan. S .- Representative Reagan left this city for Texas this morning to take an active part in the Senatorial contest. He will remain away for about two weeks, and in the meantime the conduct of the Interstate Commerce bill-if the conference report is agreed to in the Senate, will be left in the hands of Mr. Crisp, of Georgia, the third member of the House conferees, French Prunes, nov. 24-Mr. Weaver, of Nebraska, being also at home looking after his Senatorial prospects.

## Death of an Army Officer.

Washington, Jan. S .- Brevet Brigadier General Thomas Duncan, U.S. A., retired, died yesterday afternoon after a short illness at his residence in this city. During the late civil war Gen. Duncan was struck on the head by a cannon ball and had a portion of his skull knocked off. Trepanning was resorted to, and for more than 20 years he has worn the silver plate which took the place of the abstracted portions of his shattered skull.

## Death of Col. S. P. Thompson.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 8 .- Colonel Samuel P. Thompson, collector of taxes for the city of Baltimore, died this morning, aged about sixty years. Col. Thompson was for a long time engaged in the sugar trade, but several years ago went into the flour and grain trade. He was a highly cultured gentleman, and his death will be deeply regretted in social as well as business circles.

## Steamer Damaged by Fire.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 8 .- The steamship Raleigh took fire early this morning while lying at her wharf and was damaged about \$6,000, which is covered by insurance. She had just been repaired, having been cut through by ice last winter and sunk with a cargo of coal on board. She belongs to her commander, Capt. Littlefield, whose family was on board when the fire occurred.

## Town Destroyed.

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 8 .- The town of Duck Creek, containing 300 inhabitants, and situated ten miles north of this city, was de stroyed yesterday by fire which originated in a defective chimney. The loss on buildings and merchandise is \$100,000; uninsured.

#### Assignment. San Francisco, Jan. S .- Gustave Abra-

hamson, a dealer in ladies' fancy goods, made an assignment yesterday. His liabilities are \$53,000, of which \$20,000 is due Eastern creditors. His assets are \$25,000. Assaulted by Moonlighters.

# CORK, Jan. 8 -- Moonlighters last night

attacked and maltreated Clerk Darrus, of the County Sessions Court. Mr. Darrus's injuries are serious No clue to the identity of his assailants has been obtained.

## Heavy Snow Storm.

London, Jan. S .- A terrible snow storm has prevailed throughout the midland counties in England. Much loss of life is feared The highways and railways are impassable in many places and the mails are blocked.

## MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK, Jan. S .- The stock market opened steady this morning, the changes from last evening's final quotations being for insignificant amounts either way, except for Richmond and West Point, which was down 78. The trading was dull, except in the coal stocks and Richmond and West Point, which were active. Prices ruled strong from the opening, and Richmond and West Point ross 14 and other stocks generally from 1 to be per cent. The market became very dull in the latter part of the hour, but there was no charge in the tone of the speculation, and at 11 o'clock was dull but firm. Money easy at 5a6

New York, Jan. 8.—The weekly statement, the associated banks issued to-day shows the following changes: Loans, increase ..... Specie, increase. 25 per cent. rule...

BALTIMORE, Jan. S .- Virginia 6s consolidat a 5316; prst-due coupons 63; do 10 40s with con pon 44; do new 3s 64 bid to day. ALEXANDRIA MARKET, January S .- Flour con

tinues firm and steady. Wheat is bearish in tone

for futures and speculative grades, and the for

tuations, though fractional, show a further de cline, with nothing reported to encourage a strong feeling, the visible supply being still large and the foreign demand only fair for the season mand and readily bring full prices. Corn is active and higher. Rye and Oatsare firm. The receipts of produce are very small, and the markets generally have hardened. BALTIMORE, Jan. S .- Cotton steady; middlin 93g. Flour firm and quiet. Wheat—Southern steady and firm: Western a shade firmer and dull: Southern red 94a96; do amber 96a98, No.

2 Western winter red spot 92<sup>1</sup>4a92<sup>1</sup>2; Jan 92 bid; Feb 92<sup>5</sup>5a92<sup>3</sup>4; Mar 94 asked; May 96<sup>1</sup>4a bid; Feb 925, a925; Mar 94 asked; May 964, a 965, Corn—Southern steady and firm; Western steady and dull; Southern white and yellow 454, 50; Western mixed spot and Jan 464, 646, Feb 465, a465, a465, a steamer 455, a 455, Oats firm and quiet; Southern and Penna 34a38; Western white 37a39; do mixed 35a36. Rye quiet at 57a59, Provisions casy and dull, Whiskey quiet at \$1, 23, a 1, 24. Other articles unchanged. al 24. Other articles unchanged. CHICAGO, Jan. 8.-11:00 a. m.-Wheat opens at 85½ for May delivery, rose to 85%, and is now quoted at 85%, as \$5½, with very light trading. May Corn 42½. May Oats 31½ May Pork opened at \$12.35, or a decline of 12½ free last night, and still holds at that figure. May

New York, Jan. 7.—Cotton quiet; uplands 9 9-16; Orleans 92; futures steady, Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat better. Corn quiet and firm. Pork firm at \$12 25a12 50. Lard

steady at \$6 8216. BIG REDUCTION IN THE PRICE OF DRY GOODS AT

711 Market Space, near 7th street.

Washington, D. C. Astrakhan Cloth, excellent quality all woo neavy weight, over one yard and a half wide, re-

Pure Wool Chudda Serge, wide double widtl reduced to 35c Home-spun Dress Goods, extra width reduced

Extra large size White Wool Blankets reduced to \$2.85. Camel's Hair Home spun Dress Goods, wide

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